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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 23, 2020:

Section 1-F: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.91′ N lat with the following restrictions:

<u>Boca de Quadra</u>: will be closed south of a line from Quadra Point at 55°05.15′ N lat, 130°59.10′ W long to Slate Island Light at 55°05.29′ N lat, 131°03.17′ W long, east of a line from Slate Island Light to Black Rock Light at 55°01.42′ N lat, 131°03.59′ W long, and north of a line from Black Rock Light to a point on the mainland shore at 55°01.40′ N lat, 131°00.20′ W long;

Nichols Passage: will be closed north of the latitude of the southernmost tip of Dall Head at 55°07.74′ N lat.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 23, 2020:

District 2: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Polk Island at 55°00.73' N lat with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 23, 2020:

Section 3-A: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Webster Point at 54°58.28′ N lat with the following restrictions:

<u>Dall Island Shore</u>: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point at 55°03.62′ N lat, 132°58.33′ W long, to Shoe Island Light at 54°57.10 N lat, 132°44.78 W long, to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point at 54°43.80′ N lat, 132°41.83′ W long;

<u>Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters</u>: will be closed in all waters north and east of a line running from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54°54.40′ N lat, 132°24.77′ W long to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island at 54°53.25′ N lat, 132°20.35′ W long to a point at 54°49.68′ N lat, 132°20.50′ W long;

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of the longitude of Kassa Point at 132°31.62′ W long.

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Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from Cape Lynch at 55°46.87' N lat, 133°42.10' W long to the northernmost tip of Point Animas at 55°32.06' N lat, 133°27.37' W long to the southwesternmost tip of Point Arboleda at 55°19.10' N lat, 133°27.81' W long with the following restriction:

<u>Port Asumcion:</u> will be closed north and west of a line from Point Cosinas at 55°21.80′ N lat, 133°30.64′ W long to a point west of Point Maria located at 55°22.04′ N lat, 133°30.26′ W long.

District 4

District 4: will be closed.

District 7

Section 7-A: will be closed.

District 9

Southeast Cove Terminal Harvest Area (THA): will be closed.

District 12

Point Augusta: will be closed.

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold. For all other fishing areas (including the Kendrick Bay THA), Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. These restrictions will be in effect until at least July 25, 2020.

Fishermen and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

Fishermen, tenders, and processors are reminded that harvest from the Kendrick Bay THA should be kept and reported on a separate fish ticket from harvest outside of the Kendrick Bay THA. The statistical area for the Kendrick Bay THA is 102-15 and includes the waters of McLean Arm and Kendrick Bay. The statistical areas for portions of District 2 open outside of the Kendrick Bay THA are 102-10 (Kendrick Bay south) and 102-20 (Kendrick Bay north).

NSRAA is falling short of their broodstock goals for their Hidden Falls and Gunnuk Creek hatcheries. Therefore, the SE Cove THA common property fishery will be closed to allow for broodstock collection.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Friday, July 24, 2020.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S3220.

Under Alaska's Health Mandates 10, 17, and 18, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 30 Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 21, 2020

NUMBERS OF SALMON

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats	
District 1	0	1,600	300	140,000	4,500	146,400	41	
District 2	0	600	600	22,000	11,000	34,200	24	
District 4	0	6,700	2,100	67,000	3,500	79,300	14	
District 7	0	200	50	50,000	8,000	57,000	17	
Point Augusta	0	350	350	49,000	1,700	51,400	10	
SE Cove THA	0	0	15	19	6,000	6,034	12	
Total	0	9,450	3,415	328,019	34,700	374,334	118	

	FISH PER BOAT						
Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	0	39	7	3,415	110	3,571	
District 2	0	25	25	917	458	1,425	
District 4	0	479	150	4,786	250	5,664	
District 7	0	12	3	2,941	471	3,353	
Point Augusta	0	35	35	4,900	170	5,140	
SE Cove THA	0	0	1	2	500	503	

Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 17,500 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 2,200 Chinook salmon and 79,000 chum salmon.

Thomas Bay THA harvest to date: 33,000 chum salmon.

At the Point Augusta Index Area, the harvest of pink salmon was 73% of the 10-yr average and 83% of recent even-yr average. The harvest of chum salmon was 32% of the 10-yr average.

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